

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
EL DORADO COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2011 AT 6:00 PM
THE BOARD ROOM ON THE EL DORADO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
100 PLACERVILLE DRIVE, PLACERVILLE, CA.**

PRESENT: Owen, Avery, Denton, McGuire, O'Halloran, Davis, Forni- Feathers, Stek, Knight-Fujji, Arnold

EXCUSED:

ABSENT:

MANAGER: Jody W. Gray

OTHERS: Marta Viola, John Marino, Donna O'Halloran, Karen Owen

I. CALL TO ORDER:

RECORD VERIFICATION OF LEGAL MEETING NOTICE:

Gray authenticated the verification.

QUORUM REQUIREMENTS MET:

Owen determined that the requirements for a quorum were met.

II. APPROVE AGENDA

Avery moved that the agenda be approved, Davis seconded; motion carried to approve.

III. APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 2010 MEETING:

IV. Avery moved that the agenda be approved, Davis seconded; motion carried to approve.

V. PUBLIC FORUM:

None

VI. CORRESPONDENCE – Review correspondence received during the previous month:

- Email from California Governor's Press Office announcing appointment of Karen Ross as Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture.
- Letter from Rebecca Desmond, acting director CDFA, letter regarding the Governor's proposed 2011/2012 Budget calling for eliminating the \$32 million general fund support of the Network of California Fairs.
- Email from Western Fairs Association memo regarding the elimination of fair funding.
- Letter from California Department of Food and Agriculture regarding new F & E Budget.
- Email from Jim Ware, Director El Dorado County DOT stating the grant for new baseball fields was not awarded to DOT.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Contracts entered in December 2010.

McGuire moved, Davis seconded; motion carried to approve.

B. Photovoltaic System.

No changes. Approval not necessary.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A Delegate Annual Authority for CEO to execute agreements up to \$ 25,000, checks up to \$3,500 and all payroll, utility and current F&E loan payments.

Avery moved, Forni-Feathers seconded; motion carried to approve.

B Approval of 2010 Association Members.

No new members.

IX. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Approval of Expenditures for December 2010.

Denton moved, Davis seconded; motion carried to approve.

X. MANAGER’S REPORT

Gray and Marino had a meeting with Bill Roby (El Dorado Community Foundation) and Jeffrey Lubenko (ANOVA Architects) to discuss the renovation of Green Gate to create Legacy Gate. Lubenko will keep historical aspects in the drawings. The Foundation will recruit donors.

Gray reviewed the impact of the Governor’s 2011/2012 budget cut on the El Dorado County Fair. Staff looked at each line item and how we do business. Together the staff made recommendations and came up with ideas how to cut costs, change how we currently operate and how to recover some costs that we incur. Gray will run numbers to see if the proposed changes will be enough.

XI. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Stek:

Stek advised the Board she was returning to college, taking 12 units, so could not commit to remaining a board member. Owen stated, although the Board was sorry to hear Stek was leaving, her resignation would be ajenized for the next meeting.

Avery:

Pass

Denton:

Silver Dollar Speedway has changed hands.

Forni-Feathers:

Supervisors Briggs and Sweeney are concerned about the Governor’s proposed budget cut and the impact it will have on our Fair.

McGuire:

Pass

Knight-Fujii:

Pass

O’Halloran:

Pass

Davis:

City of South Lake Tahoe is also having budget problems.

Kobervig:

Pass.

Arnold:

Arnold suggested adding a cake competition during fair and stated she is pleased to be a member of the Board.

XII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A. Report of nominating committee and election of 2011 Officers.

- Avery President
- McGuire Vice-President
- Denton Treasurer

O’Halloran moved, Forni-Feathers seconded; motion carried to approve.

XIII. Adjourn 7:00 pm.

Rod Avery, President

Date

Jody W. Gray, CEO

Date

